

At the meeting of the Public Service Commission of the State of Montana held at the Commission's Offices in Helena, Montana, on Tuesday, June 10, 2008, the following members were present:

Greg Jergeson, Chairman
Doug Mood, Vice Chairman
Brad Molnar, Commissioner
Robert H. Raney, Commissioner
Ken Toole, Commissioner

APPEARANCE

Scott Fabel, Utility Division

(202) In the matter of N2008.5.54-Verizon. On May 22, 2008, Verizon requested changes to its tariffs.

Commissioner Raney moved to approve Verizon's tariff request in N2008.5.54. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Wayne Budt, Administrator
Transportation & Centralized Services Division

(203) In the matter of the approval of Commission Minutes for the week of June 2, 2008;

Commissioner Toole moved to approve the Commission Minutes for the week of June 2, 2008. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jim Paine, Legal Division

(204) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of N2008.5.55-Lincoln Telephone Company Motion for Protective Order;

Commissioner Raney moved to approve Lincoln Telephone Company's request for a Protective Order in N2008.5.55 on the basis of a state constitutional provision to right of privacy. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed 4-1. Commissioner Toole voted no.

APPEARANCE

Phil Cooke, Consumer Division

Jim Paine, Legal Division

(205) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Basic Access Communications, Inc.;

Commissioner Raney moved to authorize staff to share files of Basic Access Communications with the Attorney's General's Office. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Will Rosquist, Utility Division

(206) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2008.5.48-United Materials of Great Falls Inc/Exergy Development Group LLC;

Commissioner Raney moved to grant the motion to dismiss Docket D2008.5.48. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

(207) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System;

Commissioner Raney moved to authorize staff to register PSC with Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System as a program administrator after reviewing Account Holder Registration Agreement and determining no legal barriers, and to designate Will Rosquist as PSC'S primary point of contact and account manager. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Justin Kraske, Legal Division

(208) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2008.5.44-NorthWestern Energy Annual application for approval of monthly gas cost tracker true-up, projected gas, costs, and gas transportation balance;

Commissioner Raney moved to grant NorthWestern Energy's application to protect information related to future transactions and negotiations and require they make available all information related to 2007-2008 and past tracker periods. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Bryan Baldwin and Brian DeKiep, Utility Division
Jim Paine, Legal Division

(209) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of Organization of MISO States Comments to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission-Placeholder;

Commissioner Jergeson moved to abstain from joining in the comments related to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission charges. Commissioner Molnar seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Jergeson moved that Montana join with Organization of MISO States and approve the comments to Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Commissioner Toole seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPEARANCE

Jim Paine, Legal Division

(210) In the matter of the Commission's discussion of D2008.1.6-Commission Investigation of Qwest (the AFOR docket);

Commissioner Raney moved to designate Jim Paine as hearings officer for purposes of discovery/procedure, and to adopt the modified procedural order as circulated. Commissioner Mood seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Commission the meeting was adjourned.

GREG JERGSON, Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Vice Chairman

BRAD MOLNAR, Commissioner

ROBERT H. RANEY, Commissioner

KEN TOOLE, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones
Commission Secretary

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